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SPEAKER: All provisions of law relative to procedure having been complied with, the question is, shall the bill pass? All those in favor vote aye. Those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: Roll call vote. 26 ayes, 12 nays, 11 not voting.

SPEAKER: The bill is passed and that concludes final reading. Any resolutions, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: We have a communication from the Executive Office. (read)

SPEAKER: Anything further on the Clerk's desk? We are now ready for select file.

CLERK: Unanimous consent asked.

SPEAKER: Any objections to Senator Carstens being excused? If not, so ordered. Senator Cavanaugh, ready for select file.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Mr. President, I yield to Senator Lewis on LR 23.

SPEAKER: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. I'd like to take up my amendment to LR 23. This was passed over yesterday since I was out of the room when it came up and this amendment was, it's on page 1501 in the Journal.

SPEAKER: Clerk, Mr. Clerk, will you read the amendment?

CLERK: Read amendment LR 23

SPEAKER: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: We had this particular resolution in our Public Works Committee. It might be a little bit difficult to understand why we had it in that particular committee, but I was the lone dissenting vote when this was advanced to the floor and I did object to the very extreme wording, in my opinion, of this particular resolution. This right to live bit has been a highly emotional, highly controversial sort of a thing and I think this resolution is an effort to not perhaps appease the people, but to explain to the people that we are petitioning the National Congress to make an effort to reinstate proper wording in the Constitution or amend our United States Constitution to better conform to the wishes of the people on the abortion things, but this particular wording was, I thought, was too extreme. It completely blocked out the needs of a patient if we were to have a pregnancy in the tubes or some extreme condition that the mother needed medical attention or a, a, abortion under these circumstances and I didn't feel that it was provided the way the bill was written and I'm offering this amendment and it changes only three words in the entire amendment and I, I might, if I could, call your attention to those in the--we don't have the lines designated here but I would like to, down in Section 2. I'm asking that the word "same" be stricken and the word "appropriate" be added as an amendment to this resolution. I would move adoption of this amendment.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion on the amendment? On LR 23 found on page 1501 of the Journal? Senator Carpenter.